CHAPTER 33.

ACTS OF ISAIAH DOANE LEGALIZED.

H. F. 158.

AN ACT to Legalize the Acknowledgments taken and certified by Isaiah Doane, Mayor of the Incorporated Town of Webster City, Iowa.

Presmble.

WHEREAS, Isaiah Doane, a mayor of Webster City, Iowa, did in his official capacity as mayor take and certify the acknowledgments of certain deeds, mortgages, and other instruments authorized or required by law to be recorded; and,

Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the validity of such official

acts: therefore.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Legalizing

SECTION 1. That all the official acts of the said Isaiah Doane, as mayor of Webster City, Iowa, in taking, and certifying the acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages, and other instruments authorized or required by law to be recorded during the period between the 7th day of March, 1879, and March 8th, 1881, be and the same are hereby legalized and declared valid and binding in all respects, as fully to all intents and purposes as if he had been during the period aforesaid fully authorized and empowered as such mayor to take and certify acknowledgments of deeds, mortgages, and other instruments authorized or required by law. Approved, March 8, 1882.

CHAPTER 84.

TOWN OF PRINCETON LEGALIZED.

H. F. 275. AN ACT to Legalize the Reorganization and Incorporation of the Town of Princeton, Scott County, Iowa.

Preamble.

Reorganised in 1878.

Whereas, At a special election held in the city of Princeton, Scott county, Iowa, in the year 1878, a majority of the citizens of said city voted to abandon the special charter under which said city was originally organized, and to reorganize under the provisions of law relating to cities and towns incorporated under the general incorporation law of the state. Since then the citizens of said town have annually elected the officers required by law, have passed ordinances and conducted the general business of the town in good faith;

WHERRAS, Doubts exist as to the regularity of the proceedings of the reorganization and incorporation of said town, for the

reason the officers having failed to keep the proper records of the Proper records proceedings, had at that time, and of the passage of the ordinances not kept. of said town for the reason the ordinances enacted the first year Ordinances read were only read once prior to their passage by the town council; only once. therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. That the reorganization and incorporation of the Legalized. town of Princeton, Scott county, Iowa, be and the same is hereby legalized, and that all the official acts of the town council of said town of Princeton, done and performed from and after the qualification of said town council, be and the same are hereby declared legal and valid to the same extent as though the reorganization and incorporation had been regular and in full compliance with

Approved, March 8, 1882.

CHAPTER 35.

EVIDENCE IN EQUITABLE ACTIONS.

AN ACT Relating to the Trial of Equitable Actions, Amending Sec- s. F. 39. tion 2742, Chapter 9, Title 17 of the Code of Iowa, as amended by Chapter 145 of the Laws of the Seventeenth General Assembly.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That section 2742 of the code of Iowa, and chapter Chap. 145, acts SECTION 1. That section 2: 72 of the laws of the seventeenth general assembly, be repealed, and code sec. 272, substitute

But in equitable actions, wherein issue of fact is joined, all the evidence offered in the trial shall be taken down in writing, or the court may order the evidence, or any part thereof, to be taken in the form of depositions, or either party may, at pleasure, take his testimony, or any part thereof, by deposition. All the evidence so taken shall be certified by the judge at any time within the time allowed for the appeal of said cause, and be made a part of the record, and go on appeal to the supreme court, which shall try the cause anew.

Written evidenos.

This act shall apply to all causes not already submit-Applies to all ted to the supreme court, and any certificate heretofore made by already submitthe said trial judge within the six months allowed for appeal shall ted to supreme be deemed to be made within proper time.

SEC. 3. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall Publication. take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the